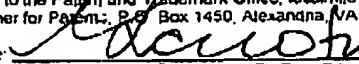


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 15, 2006 (Paper No. 20060611). A petition and fee for a one month extension of time in which to respond is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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